

FRUITPORT CHARTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

■ MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 13, 2015

A work session of the Fruitport Charter Township Board began at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 13, 2015, in the township board room.

Members Present: Brian Werschem, Supervisor; Carol Hulka, Clerk; Rose Dillon, Treasurer; Trustees Ron Becklin, Dave Markgraf, Marjorie Nash, and Chuck Whitlow.

Members Absent:

None

At 7:00 p.m., Supervisor Werschem opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

Also Present: 2– residents; 1-guest; 0– employees; DPW Director, Farrar and Public Safety Director, Doctor

The June 22, 2015 meeting minutes—regular meeting—were approved as presented.

The July 13, 2015 meeting agenda was approved as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE / REPORTS

- 1) Michigan Townships Association (MTA) legislative up-dates

- 2) Michigan Township Participating Plan News
- 3) Fruitport Charter Township is now approved to participate in the Federal Flood Insurance Program.

- 4) Marathon Pipe Line LLC will be conducting a clean water test of a petroleum pipe line in our community to ensure safe and efficient operation.
- 5) Muskegon County Road Commission will hold a public hearing on August 12, 2015, 4:00 p.m. at the Road Commission regarding a request to abandon a public road—Ellis Road between Harvey Street and Quarterline Road
- 6) Public Hearing- Michigan Gas Utilities requests approval to increase its natural gas base rates by 4.75%
- 7) Planning Commission meeting minutes of July 9, 2015

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Franklin, 2231 Colbert Drive and Chris McClain, asked questions regarding the proposed

separation from MADL

Shawn M. Grabinski, Executive Director of Muskegon Central Dispatch 9-1-1, discussed the up-coming Muskegon County Central Dispatch Millage Renewal.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS--None

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NEW BUSINESS

15-073□ Sale of Township Assets

A) Dave Markgraf moved, Rose Dillon seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, to authorize the DPW Director, Matt Farrar, to sell the Parks and Recreation's trailer.

Ayes: Markgraf, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Hulka, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

B) Dave Markgraf moved, Marjorie Nash seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, to authorize the DPW

Director, Matt Farrar, to sell the snow thrower.

Ayes: Markgraf, Nash, Becklin, Dillon, Hulka, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

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15-074 □ Separation from MADL (Muskegon Area District Library)

Chuck Whitlow moved, seconded by Dave Markgraf, **MOTION CARRIED**, to authorize the township attorney to prepare a resolution placing a proposition on the November 2015 ballot for withdrawal from MADL.

Ayes: Whitlow, Markgraf, Becklin, Nash, Dillon, Hulka, Werschem Nays: None

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15-075 □ Muskegon County Tax Foreclosed Properties

Marjorie Nash moved, supported by Chuck Whitlow, **MOTION CARRIED**, to authorize the Supervisor to purchase the following property through the 2015 County Foreclosures-

Property located at 4951 E. Sternberg Road, Parcel #15-020-300-0002-00, at the cost not to exceed \$6,500.00.

Ayes: Nash, Whitlow, Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Becklin, Werschem Nays: None

15-076 □ Mt. Garfield Culvert Failure

Discussion on the Mt. Garfield culvert failure. The culvert will be repaired this week at an estimated cost to the Township of \$8,000 to \$12,000.

The cost will be on the next meeting agenda.

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□ 15-077 □ Resignation of Leslie Lehner, Assessor, Effective August 3, 2015

The motion by Chuck Whitlow, seconded by Dave Markgraf, was **carried unanimously**, to accept the resignation of Leslie Lehner, Assessor, effective August 3, 2015.

Ms. Lehner is leaving due to health reasons.

15-078 □ Resignation of Bruce Morningstar, Police Department, Effective August 1, 2015

The motion by Dave Markgraf, seconded by Ron Becklin, was **carried unanimously**, to accept the resignation of Lieutenant Bruce Morningstar, Police Department, effective August 1, 2015. L
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ieutenant Morningstar is leaving for another opportunity.

15-079 □ Payment of Bills

Carol Hulka moved, Marjorie Nash seconded, **MOTION CARRIED**, to approve bills for payment in the following amounts:

General Fund & Parks: \$15,369.08;

Public Safety \$8,412.58

Water: \$134,083.19; and Sewer: \$17,208.40

Total:

\$175,073.25

Ayes: Markgraf, Hulka, Dillon, Nash, Becklin, Whitlow, Werschem Nays: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS #2

DPW- the “bowl” was put up on the new water tower.

Public Safety- Bike time starts this week.

The motion by Dave Markgraf, seconded by Ron Becklin, was **carried unanimously**, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

CAROL HULKA, CLERK